

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please **delete** the word "DESCRIPTION" on page 1, line 1.

Please **add** the following **new** paragraph at page 1, line 4:

-- This application claims the benefit, under 35 U.S.C. § 365 of International Application PCT/EP03/014898, filed December 24, 2003, which was published in accordance with PCT Article 21(2) on July 29, 2004 in German and which claims the benefit of German patent application No. 10301407.1, filed January 16, 2003. --